



APD NEWS

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APD announces Sixth Street Halloween safety plans

The Austin Police Department today announced its plans to ensure a safe evening for those celebrating Halloween on Sixth Street.

Due to expected large crowds, Sixth Street will be closed to vehicular traffic from Brazos Street to the west frontage of I-35. Cross streets will be closed between Fifth and Seventh Streets. Closures should be completed by 8 p.m. and towing of vehicles parked on Sixth Street and cross streets (San Jacinto, Trinity, Neches, Red River and Sabine) will begin at 6 p.m. Those whose car is towed during this time should call Southside Towing at 441-7094.

APD reminds citizens planning to be on Sixth Street Halloween night that no weapons of any type will be allowed including:

- Firearms
- Relics
- Swords
- Illegal knives
- Clubs
- Sharp or pointed items

All costume accessories should be plastic or soft material. APD officers will be inspecting items brought into the area and placing a sticker on the item. The sticker must remain on the item and be visible throughout the evening. Anyone with illegal items will be arrested and the property will be seized.

In addition, open containers of alcohol will not be allowed on Sixth Street. Glass containers are prohibited.

Children under 17 years old who are not accompanied by a parent or guardian must leave the Sixth Street area by 11 p.m.



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SoberRide also reminds folks not to drink and drive. Those without a designated driver can call SoberRide at 657-2999 to receive a free cab ride home. The service is available for residents 21 and older (up to \$30 fare). SoberRide will operate from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 31, 2008.

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